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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

Responsive to the Official Action dated February 22, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including October 22, 2002 by submission of the attached extension petition, extension fee, Notice of Appeal and Notice of Appeal fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as follows:

Cancel claims 42-70, without prejudice.

Add the following claims:

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--71. (new) A cell culture process for the production of a human vaccine composition, said process comprising the steps of: